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New Comment Submission

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A new comment has been submitted at socotransmission.com.

COMMENT

Meeting Attended:

I was not able to attend a meeting

Important Issues:

Land Use (Agriculture, Residential, Recreation), Historic and Cultural Sites, Visual / Aesthetic Resources, Proximity to Residences

Property Uses:

Agriculture, Commercial, Residential, Conservation Easement

Comment:

We ask that you NOT put your transmission line over the south side of La Veta Pass for historical and preservation reasons.

I-169-001

As the owners of the historic ghost town on Old La Veta Pass (the Lathrop/Law property on route 443) we ask that the rich historical heritage of Huerfano and Costilla counties not be destroyed for the needs of the future.

This pristine, untrammelled area is where seven nations of Native Americans came to gather medicinal herbs. It's where the highest railroad in the world crossed the Rockies in the late 1800's -- with its original Depot still standing and housing a museum. It's where legendary frontiersmen, like Kit Carson and Tom Tobin, tracked buffalo and scouted outlaws.

This history will be lost for future generations if the transmission line comes south of Rt 160.

If your transmission line passes through our relatively small holding of 300 acres as currently shown, it will ruin our most beautiful valley; it will destroy our dream of preserving this land for current and future outdoor recreation; and it will devalue the land's rich history.

We urge you to locate your line where other lines already exist to the north of 160, rather than ruining unspoiled land. Keep help this land Colorado for us and future generations.

I-169-002

Please note that our property boundary on Map #4 is inaccurate and is missing 'markers' for nine historically significant buildings that are in use today. See a corrected map below.

Sincerely, Dianne Lathrop Law and Deborah Lathrop

Note: We are unable to get our corrected map #4 to show up in this space. We are therefore sending it by mail.

I-169-001: Cultural, Historic, and Arch (In Review)

Your email/letter/comment form has been received and your comment noted. Potential impacts to and mitigation measures regarding cultural, historic, and archaeological resources from the proposed project will be addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement.

The Environmental Impact Statement is anticipated to be completed in late 2010 and will be available at

<http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/ea.htm>.

I-169-002: Correction to Data (In Review)

Your email/letter/comment form has been received and your comment noted. The information you provided will be verified and project materials will be updated accordingly.

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<http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/ea.htm>.

<http://mail.google.com/mail/?ui=2&ik=760671f559&view=pt&search=inbox&msg...> 9/14/2009

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